JOB OPPORTUNITY

TITLE: Health Insurance Counsel

LOCATION: Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions & Professional Registration

Legal Section Jefferson City, MO

STARTING SALARY: \$49,000 to \$65,000, based on experience

CLOSING DATE: July 2, 2010

DEFINITION:

Health Insurance Counsel

This is legal work in the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration involving the preparation of legal opinions, providing legal advice, and representing the department in the area of Health Insurance Law.

This position is primarily responsible for providing legal advice to and legal representation of the department related to expanding area of health insurance law, as well as various other legal duties or responsibilities as assigned. General supervision is received from the General Counsel who reviews opinions, proposed courses of action, and decisions to assess conformity with the federal and state laws, rules and regulations; however, the successful candidate will be expected to exercise considerable independent judgement within the framework of Department rules, policies and procedures.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED: (Duties and responsibilities may be added, deleted, or changed at any time at the discretion of management, formally or informally, either verbally or in writing.)

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This position offers the successful candidate the opportunity to practice health insurance law in a regulatory environment where the emphasis is on compliance, enforcement and consumer protection. Occasionally conducts administrative hearings and prepares proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law. Limited opportunities to litigate in both administrative and circuit court forums may become available. The successful candidate will work closely with knowledgeable department staff and other attorneys to prioritize and manage implementation of applicable health care laws and regulations. Drafts, edits, and/or summarizes proposed legislation and regulations related to health insurance. Performs other duties as assigned.

EXAMPLES OF REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

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Knowledge of general legal principles and practices relating to health insurance and of the procedures and requirements for administrative hearings. Knowledge of the legal framework within which the regulation of insurance companies takes place. Knowledge of the basic operations of insurance companies. Ability to analyze and interpret laws, rules and regulations relating to health insurance. Ability to draft legislative and regulatory proposals. Ability to deal effectively with insurance company representatives, attorneys and the general public.

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS: (The following statement represents the minimum experience and training standards required.)

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Graduation from an accredited law school and ability to secure membership in the Missouri Bar prior to commencing employment are required. Additionally, at least four years of professional experience in insurance regulation is required, with an emphasis in health care law strongly preferred. Knowledge of administrative law is desirable.

PLEASE SEND APPLICATION AND TRANSCRIPTS TO:

Human Resource Manager

Attention: Health Insurance Counsel

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P.O. Box 690

Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0690.

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY July 2, 2010

A State of Missouri Application for Employment can be obtained by contacting the Human Resource Office at 573-751-6798 or visiting our web site at **www.DIFP.mo.gov** .

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